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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2001 be extended for a period of 3 months from September 21, 2001 to December 21, 2001. Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for such extension of time.

In the event that an additional extension of time is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for such extension of time. The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the required fee, if applicable, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447.

Please charge the required fee, estimated to be \$920, to Novo Nordisk of North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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